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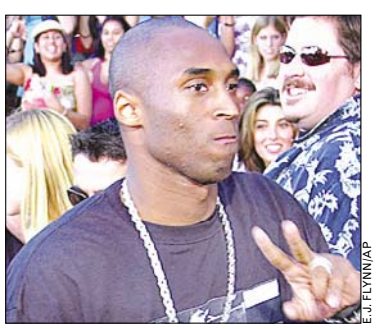

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JIM DANDY OF A BLAZE: Firefighters fight a fire at a Jim Beam bourbon warehouse Monday in Bardstown, Ky. No one was injured, officials said. About 19,000 barrels were destroyed in the inferno, which amounts to 2 percent of the company's stock. Lightning was the likely cause.

Allegations Delay Vote For Bishop

Sexual misconduct charges surface while decision pends

MINNEAPOLIS | Controversial plans by Episcopalian leaders to vote on confirming the church's first openly gay elected bishop were thrown into turmoil Monday when charges emerged that he inappropriately touched a man and was affiliated with a youth Web site that had a link to pornography.

Presiding Bishop Frank Griswold, Episcopal Church leader, announced the delay as the Rev. V. Gene Robinson's confirmation debate was to start.

AP

Robinson

James Solheim, a church spokesman, said the allegations of inappropriate touching had been e-mailed to bishops. In the e-mail, a man who identified himself as David Lewis from Manchester, Vt., said Robinson "does not maintain appropriate boundaries with men."

In addition, current New Hampshire Bishop Douglas Theuner said in a statement that the investigation would look at "concerns raised about Canon Robinson" involving "his relationship to a Web site of outright.org," a secular outreach program for gay and bisexual youth.

Mike Barwell, a spokesman for Robinson, did not respond to repeated requests for comment.

Solheim said he did not know how long the investigation would take. RACHEL ZOLL (AP)

Judge Suspended for Tarzan Jokes

BOSTON | An immigration judge was placed on administrative leave Monday after complaints that he made jokes about Tarzan to a woman who had been raped and tortured in her native Uganda.

The woman, whose first name is Jane, went before Judge Thomas Ragno in June, seeking political asylum.

"Jane, come here. Me Tarzan!" Ragno said, according to the woman's physician.

After learning of the woman's complaint, the Executive Office for Immigration Review, a division of the U.S. Department of Justice, placed Ragno on paid leave pending an investigation. Ragno did not return a call seeking comment. (AP)

Staying away in droves: How everyone, from the studio to the fans, failed "Gigli"; *Sarai*, a young white rapper with a twist; a look at the Fox drama "The OC," the juiciest thing to come out of Orange County since oranges. Also, Celtic music, Bollywood branches out, and local oddities. ENTERTAINMENT | 13-15

EyeOpeners

ANIMAL WATCH

Rats to the Rescue

The import of giant pouched rats has been banned in the United States after the animals were blamed for the spread of monkeypox, but back home in Africa the animals are training for dangerous work: sniffing out land mines. The crew training the rodents says they're confident their 300-rat crew is up to the task. "You will be following your rats through a minefield," one trainer said. "You have to be 100 percent sure of your rats." (AP)

DOUGLAS C. PIZAC/AP

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

To Reach Police, Use Carrier Pigeons

A public safety building in Gilbert, Ariz., constructed to withstand a terrorist attack has a built-in snag: Its workers are having trouble communicating. The $46.6 million building houses police and fire officials, and apparently blocks signals to wireless devices like cellular phones and pagers. Police Sgt. Jeff Eisslinger says the department is having to retrain officers to be less dependent on those devices, saying the reception problem "probably won't be solved" anytime soon. (AP)

ARCHITECTURE

King of His Castle

THE NORTH PLATT TELEGRAPH/AP

While some people conjure up castles in the sky or build castles in the sand, retired engineer Dennis Leach carved his out of concrete — and keeps it in his yard. Leach said he started his fascination with castles on the beach with his kids in the 1980s. His most recent creation, a Middle Ages-style castle with turreted towers, stands at 4 feet high, 11 feet wide, 12 feet long and weighs 4,000 pounds. (AP)

HEARSAY | LIES

"It's destroyed me, my marriage and everything I ever wanted."

— CLIVE WHITE
AN ENGLISHMAN WHO WON A RECORD FOR CATCHING A GIANT RAINBOW TROUT, WHICH ACTUALY WAS DEAD WHEN HE FOUND IT.

CURRENCY

Fake Money, Real Jail

An alleged burglar tried to buy his way out of trouble when Charles Lee caught him in his mother's Des Moines, Iowa, home July 29. The man, later identified as 37-year-old Michael Castiglione, allegedly offered Lee a $100 bill to let him go. The bill sported a picture of President Bush. Lee didn't take the bait, and Castiglione is being held on $13,000 bond at the Polk County, Iowa, Jail. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area — All forecasts provided by **AccuWeather.com ©2003**

Today	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
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AQI Today: Good

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Reading: Main offender: Incomplete

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Nation

Verizon Talks Continue

WASHINGTON | Nearly 80,000 Verizon employees worked past their strike deadline Monday as talks continued under a mediator.

A three-year contract expired at midnight Saturday, but workers avoided service disruptions at the nation's largest provider of local and wireless phone service.

"It's been our sense since Saturday that we've been making enough progress to continue to talk and to ask our members to stay on the job," said Jeff Miller, a spokesman for the Communications Workers of America, which represents about 60,000 workers.

Verizon spokesman Eric Rabe agreed that there was progress.

"We are getting some recognition in this contract that the business needs to change because we're in a much different environment than we've ever been in before," Rabe said. JONATHAN D. SALANT (AP)

Online: The latest on the Verizon negotiations at: washingtonpost.com

HEARSAY | LEAVING

"I'll be working around the clock for the next year and a half. ... But [then] it's time I go out and work."

—SEN. FRITZ HOLLINGS (D-S.C.) ANNOUNCING HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE U.S. SENATE AFTER 55 YEARS IN POLITICS

RESCUED | CLEARING THE SCENE

KAT FOWLER/AP/THE PROGRESS INDEX

FLIPPED: Volunteer firefighter Jonathan Harr searches a school bus that crashed, carrying children on their way to 4-H summer camp in Wakefield, Va., Monday. The bus flipped after it was struck by a car, injuring five children on the bus and the drivers of the two vehicles.

Davis Files Suit to Delay Calif. Recall

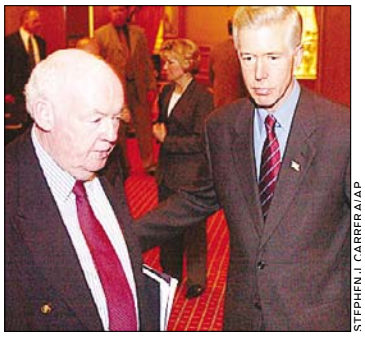
SAN FRANCISCO | Gov. Gray Davis asked the California Supreme Court on Monday to delay his Oct. 7 recall election until March and list his name on the ballot among those seeking to replace him.

Voters will make two decisions in the recall election: whether to remove Davis, and whom to choose as his successor. Under California election law, the subject of the recall cannot be on the list of replacement candidates.

The pro-Davis forces want the election held March 2, the date of the state's presidential primary.

Recall supporters dismissed the suit's claims.

"This is Davis stall tactics to the inevitable," said Phil Paule, director of Rescue California Recall Gray Davis, the committee that collected most of the petition signatures to qualify the recall. LISA LEFF (AP)



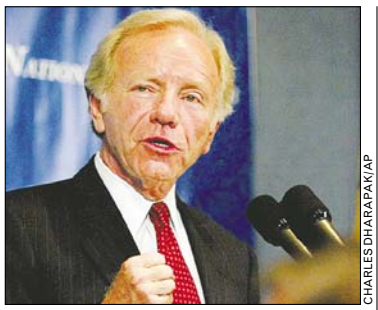
STEPHEN J. CARRERA/AP

California Gov. Gray Davis, right, walks with AFL-CIO President John Sweeney at a Chicago hotel Monday.

Lieberman Warns Against Veering Left

WASHINGTON | Sen. Joseph Lieberman (D - Conn.) issued a strong warning to his party Monday against veering too far to the left in reaction to the "failed leadership" of President Bush.

"I'm not going to stand by and let this party be taken over by people who would bring us to the political wilderness again," Lieberman, one of nine candidates seeking the Democratic presidential nomination, said after a speech at the National Press Club.



CHARLES DHARAPAK/AP

Sen. Joe Lieberman warned against an extreme Democrat move to the left.

While he did not specifically mention names in his speech, it seemed designed to criticize former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, who has risen in some polls by energizing the party's liberal wing. TERRY M. NEAL (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

Online: For audio excerpts of Lieberman's National Press Club speech, go to: www.washingtonpost.com/onpolitics.

Powell Says Departure Reports Are 'Gossip'

Dismisses reports he would not serve in a second Bush term

WASHINGTON | Secretary of State Colin Powell dismissed as gossip and nonsense a published report that he had sent word to the White House he would not serve in a second Bush administration.

"I don't know what they are talking about," Powell said of the story in The Washington Post. "I serve at the pleasure of the president. The president and I have not discussed anything other than my continuing to do my job for him."

According to the newspaper, Powell's deputy, Richard L. Armitage, informed National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice that neither he nor Powell would serve in a second term.

"The story has no substance," Powell said in an interview with Radio Sawa, which broadcasts to the Arab world with U.S. financial support "And the so-called conversation that took place between my deputy, Mr. Armitage, and National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice did not take place." BARRY SCHWEID (AP)

In Brief

WEST GLACIER, MONT.

Visitors Back at Glacier Park

Glacier National Park's west gate reopened to tourists Monday, more than a week after a wildfire threatened the park headquarters and nearby town. Monday's reopening came just a day after officials lifted an evacuation order and let residents return. (AP)

COLUMBUS, OHIO

Judge Denies Bail for Suspect in OSU Blaze

A judge refused to set bail Monday for a man accused of setting a fire that killed five college students in a rooming house near Ohio State University. Judge Steven Hayes made his ruling after an investigator testified that defendant Robert Lucky Patterson was a threat to witnesses of the April 13 fire. Patterson was arrested Friday and charged with five counts of aggravated murder, three counts of attempted aggravated murder and nine counts of aggravated arson. (AP)

WASHINGTON

Veterans Administration Proposes Major Overhaul

The Department of Veterans Affairs announced a plan Monday to close seven VA hospitals, open others and retarget services in a major restructuring of its health care services. The move is part of a drive to eliminate underused services. (AP)

SANTA FE, N.M.

Judge Tells Offenders To Attend Tai Chi Class

Municipal Court might be the last place you would expect to find offenders meditating and learning to balance their chi. But that's where Judge Frances Gallegos has placed offenders in her new alternative sentencing program — a tai chi class complete with a Japanese-style tea service and meditation aided by acupuncture.

Instructor Mark De Francis said it teaches practitioners to control impulses and fight their inner opponent.

Offenders have a choice — they can either sign up for the tai chi class or provide a community service like picking up trash. (AP)

World

In Brief

INDIA

P.M. Challenges Hindu Hard-Liners Over Mosque

India's leader said Monday he would quit before being pressured by Hindu hard-liners into forcibly putting a temple on the site of a demolished mosque, even though he admitted he is among those who want it built. Opposition lawmakers accused Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee of repeatedly changing his stand on the issue and staged a walkout. (AP)

INDONESIA

Trial of Military Officer Likely to End in Acquittal

Indonesia's much criticized attempt to bring to justice military officers accused in the destruction of East Timor is scheduled to end Tuesday with the highest-ranking soldier implicated almost certain to walk free. The outcome is likely to add to outrage among rights groups. (AP)

CHINA

No Verdict in Spy Trial

Yang Jianli, a Boston-based democracy activist held in China for more than a year, was tried Monday on charges that he spied for Taiwan, but no verdict was handed down, his wife said. (AP)

FRANCE

Amid Heat Wave, Nuclear Reactors Get Cold Shower

Amid a brutal heat wave sweeping France, technicians sprayed cold water on a nuclear power plant to see whether the technique helps keep its reactors from overheating, utility officials said Monday. Teams doused a building that contains one of two reactors at the plant in Fessenheim, roughly 45 miles south of Strasbourg. (AP)

RWANDA

11 Sentenced to Die in Largest Trial Since 1994

A tribunal has convicted 100 people of rape, torture, murder and crimes against humanity in the largest trial so far seeking justice for Rwanda's genocide. Eleven people were sentenced to death and 71 to life imprisonment. The crimes were committed during the 100-day slaughter in mid-1994 in which at least a half-million people were killed. (AP)

U.S. Forces Could Alight in Liberia

Official cedes that troops may be sent in to war-torn country

MONROVIA | U.S. warships off the coast of Liberia are ready to provide logistics and communications assistance to West African troops in Liberia, and some American forces probably will go ashore, a senior official said Monday.

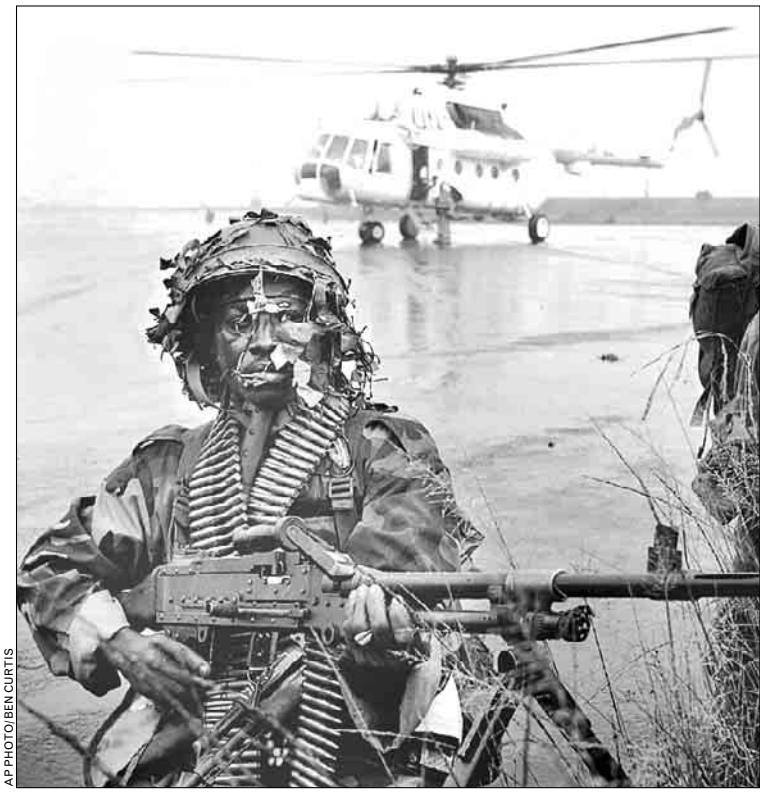
The official said there was "certainly the possibility, maybe even a probability" that some Americans will be dispatched to Liberia to cooperate with West African troops being sent to the beleaguered country.

Nigerian troops, numbering fewer than 200, landed on Monday, the first installment of what is expected to be a 3,250-troop deployment.

President Bush has said Liberian President Charles Taylor must go and a cease-fire must be in place before U.S. troops go ashore.

The USS Iwo Jima amphibious assault ship and USS Carter Hall amphibious landing dock were in waters off Liberia and were staying out of sight for now. The ships were expected in the coming days to move into positions where they could be seen from land, to serve as a show of force. (AP)

| **Photo Gallery:** Images of a shattered land on washingtonpost.com/cameraworks



AP PHOTO/BEN CURTIS

The first of the Nigerian peacekeeping troops arrive Monday in heavy rain at Robertsfield airport near the Liberian capital of Monrovia .

Iran, U.N. Discuss Inspections

IAEA aims for unrestricted access to nuclear facilities

TEHRAN | Experts from the U.N. nuclear watchdog began talks Monday aimed at getting Tehran to permit unrestricted inspections of its nuclear facilities.

The three-member legal team from the International Atomic Energy Agency was meeting Iranian government lawyers, said Saber Zaeimian, spokesman of the Atomic Energy Organization of Iran.

The United States has accused Iran of running a clandestine nuclear weapons program and wants the IAEA to declare Tehran in violation of the non-proliferation treaty.

Iran, which insists its nuclear program is for peaceful, electrical power purposes, has said it would agree to unfettered inspections if it is granted access to advanced nuclear technology as provided for under the treaty. (AP)

INVESTIGATING IRAN

An investigation by the Los Angeles Times published Monday uncovered what the authors deemed "strong evidence that Iran's commercial program masks a plan to become the world's next nuclear power." While no one is certain when Iran will be able to produce its first atomic weapon, the authors write, "Iran is moving purposefully and rapidly toward acquiring the capability."

State Dept. May Cut Israeli Aid

Newspaper details U.S. attempts to sway Israel over barrier

JERUSALEM | The U.S. State Department is proposing cuts in American loan guarantees to Israel, hoping to pressure it to stop building a security barrier in the West Bank, an Israel newspaper reported.

The U.S. State Department proposed cutting the guarantees by the same amount Israel spends to build portions of the barrier.

The Haaretz newspaper report, published Sunday, also said that the amount spent on building roads to bypass the West Bank — to accommodate the movement of Jewish settlers around Palestinian population centers — would be deducted from the loan guarantees. A Bush administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity, noted that the U.S. would also deduct money Israel spends on settlements. (AP)

HEARSAY | ACTIVISM UNDONE

AFP/GETTY

"I am not going to die because they want us to die."

—ZACKIE ACHMAT, 41-YEAR-OLD AIDS ACTIVIST

SUFFERING AFTER YEARS OF HIV-INFECTION, SOUTH AFRICA'S TOP AIDS ACTIVIST SAID MONDAY HE IS ABANDONING HIS PLEDGE NOT TO TAKE POTENTIALLY LIFESAVING AIDS DRUGS, ENDING AN UNSUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO FORCE THE GOVERNMENT TO GIVE ITS PEOPLE THE MEDICINE.

BY THE NUMBERS: In a sign of lingering ethnic tensions in the Balkans, some 230,000 ethnic Serbs who fled Croatia in 1995 have still not returned to their homes, with many still living in refugee camps. (AP)

Hong Kong's Tung Names Ministers

HONG KONG | Hong Kong leader Tung Chee-hwa named two new Cabinet secretaries Monday to take charge of the budget and an anti-subversion measure that prompted a protest by a half-million people. The financial and security chief posts were left vacant by unprecedented resignations last month as Tung's government staggered from the shock of the march — the biggest protest since Britain returned Hong Kong to China in 1997. (AP)

Iraqi Army Begins Training

400 volunteers, under heavy guard, go north for basic training

BAGHDAD | The U.S. military took 400 volunteers for the new Iraqi army to the northern city of Kirkuk on Monday to begin two months basic training, and American forces passed a third straight day without reporting the loss of a soldier in combat.

The Iraqi army recruits were taken to Kirkuk and on to a U.S. base under heavy guard for fear Iraqi resistance fighters would attack the convoy of buses.

The recruits sent north Monday make up about half the first batch due to begin training under U.S. instructors this month. More than 12,000 Iraqi soldiers are scheduled to be ready for service by year's end and 40,000 by the end of 2004.

U.S. forces continue to close in on Saddam and said they had conducted a series of secret operations in the two weeks since American soldiers killed his sons Uday and Qusay in a gunbattle in the northern city of Mosul, the military said Monday.

"It's just a matter of time," 4th Infantry Division spokeswoman Maj. Josslyn Aberle told reporters. Military officials estimate that Saddam is changing locations every four hours. STEVEN R. HURST (AP)

IRAQ'S NEW ARMY

- Those eligible to join the army must be between 18 and 40 and must not have held the rank of colonel or above in Saddam's military.
- During the two-month training period, they will be paid $60 monthly. Recruits who complete training must serve at least 26 months. Their salaries will be determined according to rank, with top pay of $120 a month.

Japan Eyes New Force

TOKYO | Japan may create a special military strike force of thousands of troops to handle terrorist and guerrilla attacks as part of a beefed-up posture in the wake of terrorist concerns, a Defense Agency official said Monday.

The idea is to form elite units with training in anti-terrorism, urban warfare, anti-chemical warfare and international peacekeeping in the post-Sept. 11 era, the official said on condition of anonymity.

Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi has pledged to give the nation's military a higher international profile, and Japanese troops are now the most active they have been since 1945. Critics in Japan denounce the beefing up of the nation's armed forces, saying it violates the country's post-World War II pacifist constitution. (AP)

U.N. Policeman Killed in Kosovo

PRISTINA | A U.N. policeman from India was killed in Kosovo in an ambush officials blamed on underworld gangs, the first-ever fatal shooting of an international police officer in the province since it came under U.N.-control four years ago, authorities said Monday. Satish Menon, 43, was killed by sniper fire shortly before midnight Sunday. (AP)

CIA Says Tape Likely Authentic

WASHINGTON | An audiotape from Osama bin Laden's top deputy warning that the United States will pay dearly if it harms detainees at Guantanamo Bay is probably authentic, a CIA official said Monday.

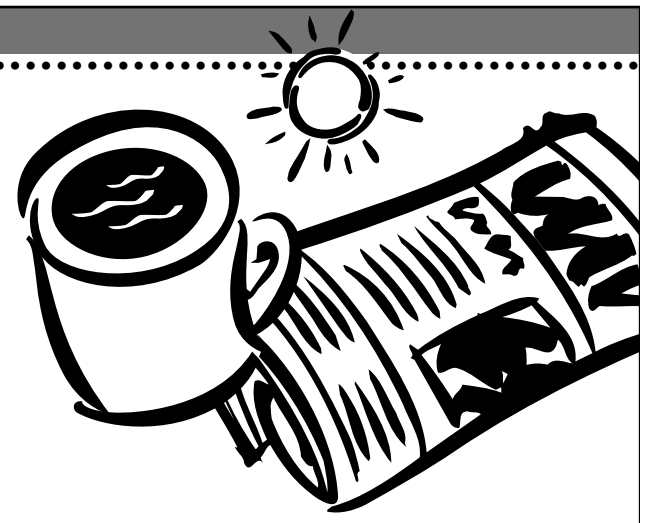
The assessment was based on a technical analysis of the tape, which was first aired over the weekend, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity. The CIA can't be certain but believes the voice on the tape was Ayman al-Zawahiri's, the No. 2 official in bin Laden's al Qaeda network, this official said.

The recording, obtained by the Arab satellite station Al-Arabiya, promises retaliation for Washington's announcement that it could start putting detainees on military trials. (AP)

SOUTH KOREA | ENIGMA

AP PHOTO/RHEE DONG-MIN

MOURNING: A relative of Chung Mong-hun, the top executive of South Korea's Hyundai conglomerate, offers a silent prayer in Seoul Monday. Chung, who was embroiled in a scandal over a historic 2000 summit between the two Koreas, committed suicide Monday, police said.



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Region

Md. Cuts Could Cost Kids

Critics say thousands of children could lose state-funded care

ANNAPOLIS, MD. | Advocates for poor families say several thousand children could lose state-supported health care as a result of spending cuts imposed during the 2003 legislative session to keep the state budget balanced.

"I don't think the citizens of Maryland want the budget to be balanced by having children go without health care," said Carol Fanconi, health policy director at Advocates for Children and Youth. "We should rethink this."

Starting Sept. 1, the state will begin collecting a $37 monthly premium per family from parents of about 6,000 children who previously received free comprehensive health care.

The health department estimates about 3,000 children will leave the program because parents will not be willing to — or cannot pay — the $37 a month premium. The reduction in families would save the state $18 million.

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Ehrlich

In addition, program enrollment for families making between 200 percent and 300 percent of poverty level — a maximum of $55,200 for a family of four — will be frozen.

No new families can sign on, and the state expects about 30 percent of the children in this program will lose benefits at an estimated savings of $609,000.

Families making less than 185 percent of the federal poverty level — $34,040 for a family of four — will not be affected.

Nelson Sabatini, Maryland health secretary, said he has no choice but to comply with budget cuts proposed by Gov. Robert L. Ehrlich (R) and approved by the state legislature. (AP)

1,000 Mourn Md. Doctor

LANDOVER HILLS, MD. | Physician Thomas Gay — who was shot in the head in his driveway July 22 — was remembered Monday at funeral service, wearing his dress military uniform inside a flag draped, dark oak casket.

More than a thousand mourners attended the service that emphasized Gay's life, not his violent death. He retired last year from the Navy Reserve as a captain after 36 years in the service and will be buried Aug. 28 at Arlington National Cemetery.

Gay, 61, practiced medicine in the District and taught at Howard University Medical School. He died three days after being shot as he got out of his car at his Mitchellville, Md., home.

Police have been searching for two 19-year-old men wanted in the murder. Officers believe that robbery was the motive behind the crime. DERRILL HOLLY (AP)

Officials Fight Residential Crimes

WASHINGTON | Mayor Anthony A. Williams and D.C. Police Chief Charles H. Ramsey on Monday vowed to present the D.C. Council this fall with strategies for fighting crime in the District's neighborhoods.

In one police district east of the Anacostia River, more than 250 juveniles have been arrested this year for car theft and homicide rates in the city have risen four consecutive years. (AP)

WASHINGTON MONUMENT | PICKET FENCE

AKIRA ONO/AP

READY, SET, GO: Construction workers began the first phase of the Washington Monument's long-delayed visitor's center on Monday.

BY THE NUMBERS: $20 million has been appropriated for fiscal 2004 to work on security at the Washington Monument, including the construction of a visitor's center at the popular tourist attraction..

In Brief

THE DISTRICT

Cops Looking for Adams Morgan Shooter

Police on Monday were looking for a gunman who shot another man in an alley off the 1700 block of Columbia Road NW. The victim, shot earlier that day, did not have life-threatening injuries, said Cmdr. Thomas McGuire. He said there have been a number of recent shootings in the area and they are believed to gang-related. (AP)

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

Man to Serve 65 Years For Kidnapping, Shooting Student

A Hyattsville man on Monday was sent to prison for more than 65 years as punishment for kidnapping a college student, then shooting her three times when she escaped. In part, prosecutors said that in February of last year, Gregory Johnson, 21, and three others forced the woman into a car and drove to D.C. as the suspects tried to sexually assault her. (AP)

REGION

Journal Settles With Union

The Virginia based-Journal Newspapers has reached a settlement with the Washington-Baltimore Newspaper Guild, the company announced Monday. Last year, the Montgomery and Prince George's Journals fired about 14 staffers and shut their offices in those counties. Under the terms of the settlement, the Journal will not have to reopen its closed offices or rehire any employees, but give a one-time payment to eight ex-employees. (AP)

FAIRFAX COUNTY

Teen Dead After Wreck

One teenager died and another was hospitalized Monday after their car plowed into a tree in Centreville, according to Fairfax County police. The cause of the crash, near the Interstate 66 overpass, was under investigation. Authorities said the teens are from the Manassas area and are 16 and 17 years old. (AP)

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Money

Report: Factories on Mend

Commerce Dept. reports increase in orders for sector

WASHINGTON | America's manufacturers saw demand for their products rise in June by the largest amount in three months, another encouraging sign that the fragile factory sector is on the mend along with the rest of the economy.

The Commerce Department reported Monday that orders to U.S. factories rose 1.7 percent from May, the second month in a row that orders went up. Gains were fairly broad-based, with orders rising for machinery, household appliances and automobiles as well as "nondurable" goods, such as food products and chemicals.

June's performance, which followed a 0.3 percent rise in May, was stronger than economists were expecting; they were forecasting a 1.5 percent increase in factory orders.

Monday's report, along with other recent data on factory activity, suggest the industry is turning a corner. JEANNINE AVERSA (AP)

BEHIND THE REPORT

Manufacturing has had the hardest time trying to get back on firmer footing after being knocked down by the 2001 recession. Faced with lackluster demand at home and abroad, factories have throttled back production and cut jobs. Monday's report showed that orders for all "durable" goods, costly manufactured items expected to last at least three years, rose 2.6 percent in June.

Monster Loses Deals With AOL, Microsoft

Shares lose nearly 14 percent on Nasdaq following news

BOSTON | Monster is losing partnerships with Web portals AOL and MSN that account for about a quarter of the No. 1 online job site's traffic.

Shares of Monster's parent company, Monster Worldwide, tumbled $3.59, or nearly 14 percent, to $22.51, on the Nasdaq Stock Market following AOL's announcement Monday that it was replacing Monster with Careerbuilder.com as its main partner for the "Careers and Jobs" section of its portal.

Later in an interview with the Associated Press, Monster Worldwide Chief Financial Officer Mike Sileck said the company would also end its relationship with MSN. Sileck said that Monster had made the decision not to extend either deal. He said the move was part of a broader strategy to save the company $50 million a year, which it will spend on improving its targeting of job seekers. JUSTIN POPE (AP)

WorldCom Responds To AT&T Allegations

NEW YORK | AT&T was acting only for competitive gain when it claimed long-distance rival WorldCom improperly routed domestic telephone calls through Canada to get out of paying high fees, WorldCom said Monday.

WorldCom said the AT&T accusations were part of an escalating campaign to hurt WorldCom as it tries to emerge this fall from the largest bankruptcy in U.S. history.

The WorldCom retort came a week after AT&T claimed it had evidence WorldCom was disguising codes on long-distance calls to route them through Canada. (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
ChiYuc	9.75	+1.66	+20.5
Ribaphm	6.17	+1.05	+20.5
WMS	20.83	+3.28	+18.7
Gundle	17.70	+2.50	+16.4
NamTai s	22.46	+3.06	+15.8

Losers

Milacron	3.01	-.66	-18.0
AMR	8.04	-.91	-10.2
AAR	7.13	-.70	-8.9
MetrisCos	3.03	-.28	-8.5
NovaStr	56.20	-5.19	-8.5

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
Sangstat	22.23	+6.76	+43.7
HostAmr	2.00	+.40	+25.0
MethdB	40.00	+7.63	+23.6
IntrWav rs	2.54	+.47	+22.7
Genaera	3.10	+.56	+22.0

Losers

CrdAcp	8.35	-2.26	-21.3
CV Thera	27.87	-7.31	-20.8
HorzGP	3.65	-.85	-18.9
Integrity	4.30	-.96	-18.3
CmtyCpBc	12.10	-2.40	-16.6

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
+32.07	-1.56	+2.67
+0.35	-0.09	+0.27
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Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.25
Fed Funds close	1.0625	1.0625
3-month	0.94	0.94
2-year	1.69	1.61
10-year	4.29	4.29
30-year	5.26	5.22

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.6215	.6215	.6368
Canadian Dollar	1.4061	1.3982	1.5870
European Euro	.8809	.8875	1.0127
Japanese Yen	120.42	120.01	119.08
Mexican Peso	10.7040	10.5810	9.8230
Taiwanese Dollar	34.42	34.48	33.69

Biotech Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANG
Amersham	40.45	+.53	-8.9
Amgen	68.16	-.09	+41.0
ApplBio	21.19	-.23	+20.8
Biogen	38.09	+.35	-4.9
Chiron	45.04	-.15	+19.8
Genentech	78.17	-1.53	+135.7
Genzyme	47.62	-1.66	+61.0
GileadSci	65.21	+.66	+91.8
IDEC Ph	33.46	+.21	+.9
IMS Hlth	19.00	+.07	+18.8
LabCp	31.38	-.14	+35.0
MedImun	38.60	-.13	+42.1
MillPhar	12.09	-.03	+52.3
Monsnto	21.68	-.47	+12.6
QstDiag	58.37	+.01	+2.6

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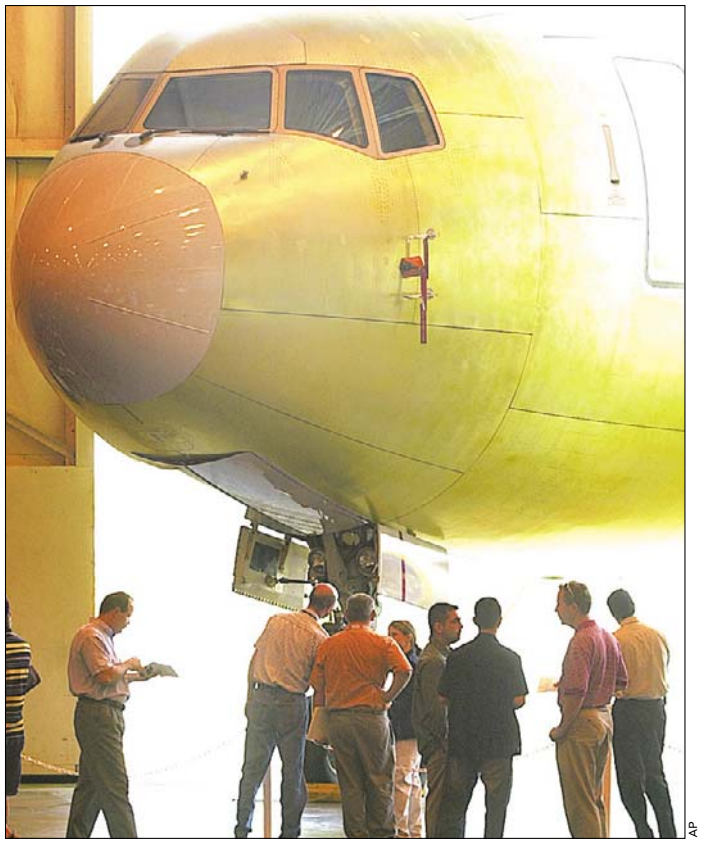

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ITALIAN LESSONS: Boeing employees and others check out the first Boeing 767 brought in to be converted into a refueling tanker for the Italian Air Force Monday in Wichita, Kan. Boeing officials said the new line could employ as many as 1,000 workers in Wichita.

Qwest Inks Wireless Deal

Agreement puts wireless customers on Sprint's network

DENVER | Qwest Communications International Inc. signed a deal with Sprint on Monday allowing it to offer national wireless service to customers in the 14 states where it also sells local phone service.

Denver-based Qwest said it plans to offer Sprint PCS Vision to its local customers and to business customers nationwide. But it will handle sales, billing and customer service on its own.

Terms were not disclosed.

The companies said they expected most of Qwest's existing wireless customers and new customers to move onto Sprint's network by next year. Qwest said it plans to start selling calling plans next year that incorporate nationwide coverage.

The move came as Qwest union employees ratified a new two-year contract. The deal freezes wages but allows for bonuses if Qwest meets its earnings goals. (AP)

WIRELESS WEDDING

Pairing Qwest and Sprint's wireless services will open an expanded network to the companies' existing customers:

QWEST Already serves nearly 1 million wireless customers; sells local phone service in 14 states.

SPRINT Has 2.1 million customers on its PCS digital wireless network.

COMBINED Gives Sprint new sales channel, gives Qwest national wireless network access.

BY THE NUMBERS: Airline traffic worldwide picked up sharply in June but remains depressed following the SARS crisis. International air traffic was down 11.8 percent in June compared with a year earlier. (AP)

Money

Powell Says He'll Stick It Out at FCC

WASHINGTON | Soon after joining the Federal Communications Commission, Michael Powell said one of his mottos would be: "Fight with ideas and not emotion."

His efforts to ease rules governing media ownership are prompting plenty of debate — and lots of criticism of Powell. So much that Powell met with top aides Monday and assured them he won't quit.

Jonathan Cody, Powell's special policy adviser, said the chairman "assured senior staff that it is his firm intention to continue to lead the commission and implement our agenda."

Powell, a champion of deregulation who critics say is too pro-big business, rose to chairman when President Bush took office in 2001. His term isn't over until 2007.

Powell succeeded in getting his Republican-dominated FCC to ease decades-old rules governing media ownership. The party-line vote on June 2 approved changes that allow individual companies to own TV stations reaching nearly half the nation's viewers and combinations of newspapers and broadcast outlets.

RICK BOWMER/AP/FILE

FCC Chairman Michael Powell faces criticism over deregulation policies.

The vote has become a magnet for those who worry a few large companies control too much of what people watch, hear and read.

Small broadcasters complained about network domination of local television.

Powell argues that media consolidation doesn't necessarily harm diversity, saying there is more variety in the nation's media than ever before. DAVID HO (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Railroad giant Union Pacific Corp. on Monday said it will sell its trucking unit, Overnite Corp., through an initial public offering. The company has a fleet of 6,000 vehicles and employs 14,400 people.

Probing the Limits Of Open-Source Code

Company claims its proprietary code has filtered into Linux

SAN JOSE, CALIF. | Leading Linux distributor Red Hat Inc. sued the SCO Group Inc. Monday, calling recent accusations of copyright infringement against the open-source operating system "unfair and deceptive actions."

The lawsuit, filed in Delaware federal court, seeks a declaration that Red Hat is not violating SCO's intellectual property and an injunction that would bar SCO from making untrue claims that harm the Linux business.

SCO, which owns key parts of the Unix operating system, claims its code has seeped into Linux. It is seeking $3 billion from International Business Machines Corp. for allegedly transferring Unix code to Linux.

SCO has also sent warning letters to hundreds of other companies. Red Hat has not been sued.

A cloud of legal uncertainty has enveloped Linux since March, when SCO filed its breach-of-contract lawsuit against IBM.

SCO's claims raise questions about the essence of the open-source movement that evolved on the idea that software code should be freely distributed rather than secret and proprietary, as programs like Microsoft's Windows operating software chiefly are. MATTHEW FORDAHL (AP)

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Going the Distance

Digital vs. old school cordless telephones: better in all but price

PHONES | When buying a cordless telephone, there's a basic choice: analog or digital. Or to put it another way: cheap or expensive.

Analogs still use the radio technology that revolutionized home telephones in the early 1980s. But state-of-the-art digital models offer so much more in terms of range and features that they make old-fashioned analogs seem almost laughable.

Until you look at the price tag.

Analogs, still made by major manufacturers such as Panasonic, Uniden and Vtech, cost as little as $15. Sure, they've been surpassed technologically, but that doesn't mean they don't have their place, especially in small homes.

Digitals offer a far greater range of operation and more features, such as speakerphones in the handsets. They start at about $100 for the most basic model, however. Add a built-in answering machine and other goodies, and the price rises to $200 and more.

Uniden's digital TRU 5885 (about $200) has a maximum range of roughly 97 feet.

Sometimes the best solution is to use both — a digital model as the main phone, with analogs in the kitchen, guest rooms and other parts of the house. Here are a few examples of each:

Analog: The cordless Vtech VT00-9113 normally costs about $15. Although the cheapest of the analogs tested, it had the longest range — about 70 feet. But incoming voices were somewhat harsh.

The Uniden EXAI398 costs about $40, but that gets you a built-in answering machine, the ability to use Caller ID, volume control and a headset plug. Sound was middling.

Panasonic's KX-TC1484, about $30, provides a warm, human sound. Its redial, volume control, Caller ID and programmable dialing features are easy to use.

Digital: Panasonic's digital KX-TG5100M (about $200 with built-in answering machine) got good marks from listeners for clarity. Its speakerphone was also quite clear sounding. The downside: it had the shortest range of the digitals tested — about 85 feet.

Uniden's TRU5885 (about $200, including answering machine and extra headset) is a bargain compared with the Panasonic. It has an abundance of user-friendly features, and a good range — about 97 feet.

The Vtech 5881 ($159 with answering machine) did not do well in sound tests. It had a nice range of about 103 feet. But the Vtech's controls were clunky and complicated. DAVID COLKER (L.A. TIMES)

FAST FORWARD

Live Online

ROB PEGORARO'S column appears Sundays in The Washington Post. He answered questions about laptops yesterday on washingtonpost.com.

What's the difference between a laptop and a notebook?

None.

The Dell Inspiron 600m is reviewed this week on washingtonpost.com.

Which laptops have the fastest Internet connections?

All of them. Every laptop you could buy these days includes an Ethernet port that runs at 100 million bits per second. That's about 10 times faster than any Internet connection you can get at home, or will be likely to get at home in the next few years.

What do you think about tablet PCs, namely Toshiba's model?

A tablet PC only really makes sense if everybody else you know uses one as well; otherwise, you're stuck with notes you've taken that can't easily be shared as anything but big graphics files.

I see a lot of laptops now in the $800 range. What's your opinion on these?

Most of them, from what I've seen, are desktop-use laptops. They weigh a lot, and many only include CD-ROM drives. If your budget is that tight, I would recommend getting a desktop instead.

Need more help buying a laptop? Visit the Interactive Laptop Gallery at technews.com for more from The Washington Post's laptop guide.

Get Your Name Off My Spam

Hormel Foods filed two legal challenges with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to try to stop Seattle software company SpamArrest from using the decades-old name Spam.

SpamArrest, which specializes in blocking junk e-mail, filed to trademark its name early this year. Though Hormel acknowledges that its brand name has taken on new meaning, it argues that the public could confuse the meat product with the technology company. (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: Two-thirds of Internet users who download music don't care whether they're violating copyright law, says a new study by the Pew Internet and American Life Project. (AP)

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Personal Technology

Have Your Data Call My Data

Information-sharing software can make interfacing easier

NETWORKS | Software developers are working their hardest to do away with pesky old face-to-face networking.

Visible Path and a similar startup, Spoke Software Inc., are among dozens of tech companies in arcane-sounding fields — social network analysis, knowledge management, data mining — that after years of hype are now able to efficiently plumb the depths of social networks.

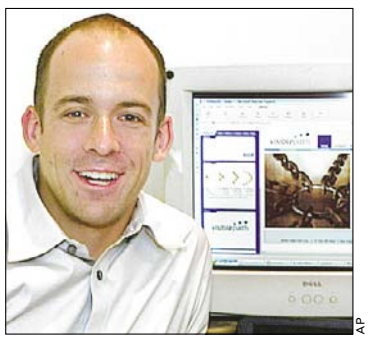
The software from Visible Path and Spoke meticulously scans computers to hunt for contact information in electronic calendars and address books. It tallies whom the users have e-mailed and how long it took for the recipients to respond.

Say you're in sales at X Corp., and you'd like to pitch X's latest widget to Bill Gates. In seconds, the software can inform you that sadly, no one in the company knows the Microsoft chairman.

But let's say X's law firm agreed to have its contacts linked with X's database. Suddenly, you might find that Howard advertising is tight with an X lawyer who knows Bill. The software would then ask Howard for an introduction.

Hewlett-Packard Co. is exploring whether cell phones could perform similar sharing for networking or dating. If my phone could talk to yours without our knowing, and they discovered that we have many contacts in common, might we be interested in meeting?

BRIAN BERGSTEIN (AP)



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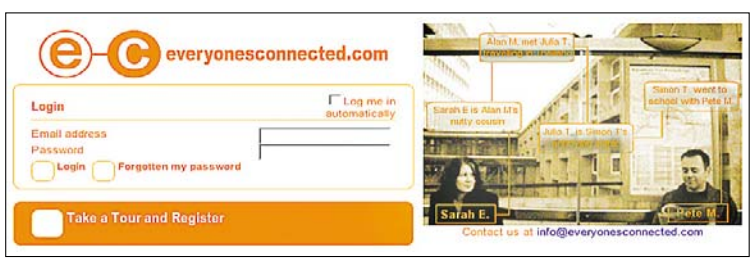
Antony Brydon is president of data mining company Visible Path Corp.

BY THE NUMBERS: About 53 percent of Friendster networkers are male. The average user is 27 years old. The Sunnyvale, Calif., company cost $250,000 to launch and has a staff of seven. (AP)

Any Friend of Mine Is Yours

ONLINE | Lower-tech personal networking software already fuels popular degrees-of-separation Web sites. A year after its launch, personal networking site Friendster has 1.3 million registered users — despite no advertising and the fact that the site is officially still in "test mode." Currently free, within a few months membership will cost $8 a month.

Users join Friendster via invitation from — who else? — a friend. Expand your network by inviting others to join. Then, flip through the profiles of those up to four degrees of separation away. Some use it for dating, some for reconnecting with old friends, and some, inevitably, as the heir to hotornot.com. (AP)



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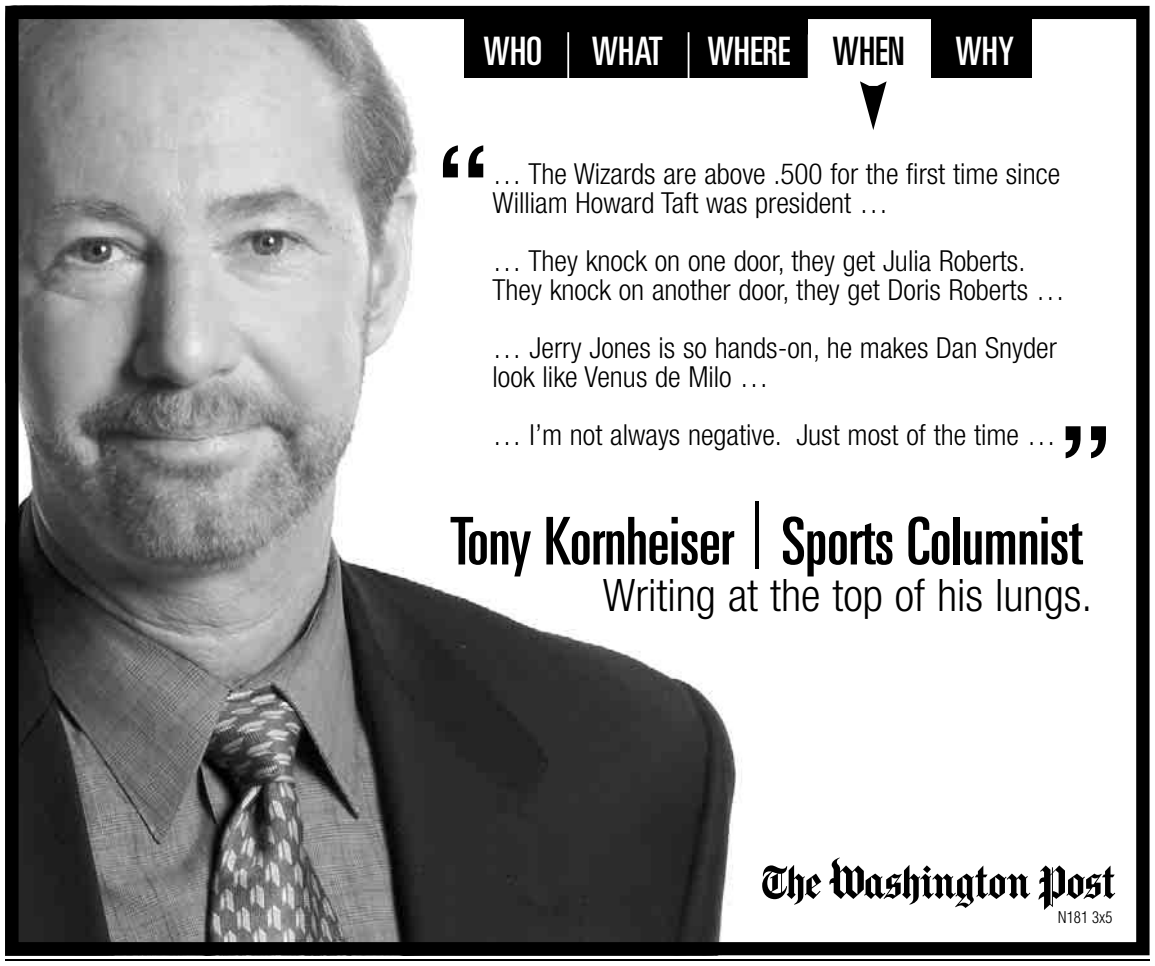

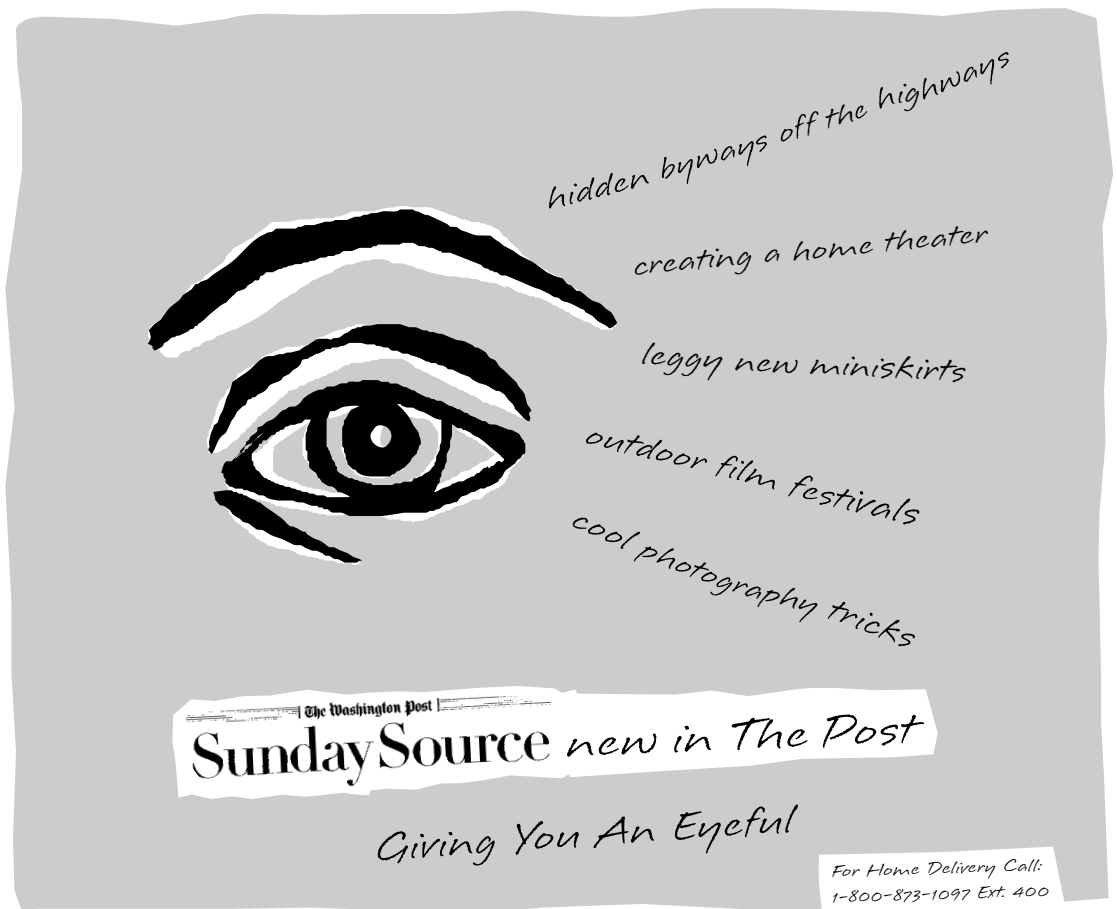

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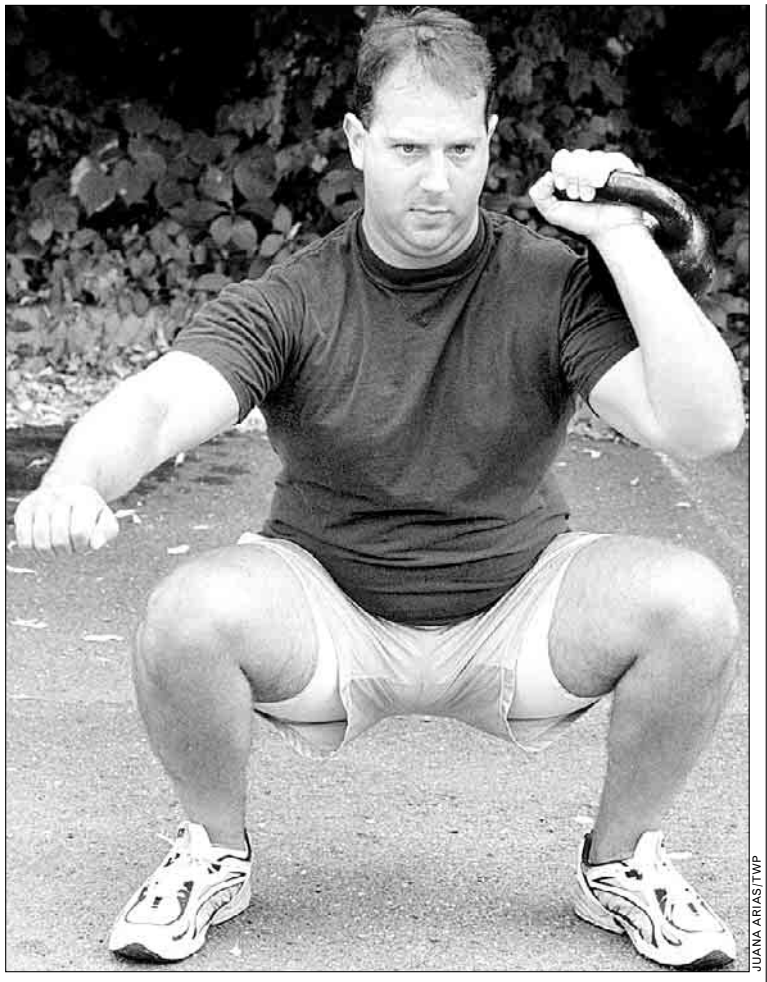


JUANA ARIAS/TWP

Hefty kettlebells are a good way to build strength, power and endurance for sports such as golf, soccer, swimming, and football, say personal trainers.

Matter of Weight

Retro kettlebells are strong-arming their way into the gym

Kettlebells, crude-looking balls of metal and epoxy attached to heavy handles, are a new weapon of choice for personal trainers, trend-conscious gymgoers and serious weightlifters looking for an alternative to barbells.

Their popularity dates to turn-of-the-20th-century Czarist Russia, where the Red Army used the weighted balls for fitness training.

Tim Palancia, personal-training manager at Equinox in Darien, Conn., says that to understand the benefits of kettlebells you need a little physics lesson. "Their weight is distributed more like things we use on a daily basis, like a suitcase, a pocketbook or a car seat with a baby in it," he explains. "The weight is attached to a handle. That adds a kind of momentum that adds another dimension to the lift. And so even if the kettlebell weighs exactly the same as a dumbbell, it's a bit more of a challenge to lift."

Measured in 9-pound increments called poods, kettlebells weigh as much as 81 pounds. Typically, people new to fitness and seniors work with the 9-pound kettlebells, while a more experienced exerciser goes a bit higher, says James Trench, a Stamford, Conn., personal trainer.

Kettlebells work well with a variety of standard weightlifting moves. "You can do the Olympic-type moves, like a clean and jerk," says Palencia. "Or you can do fairly typical things like bench presses or bicep and tricep curls."

Palencia often recommends the weights to clients who want to start a small home gym with minimal investment. "You can do so much with them, but they are relatively small and compact. You can just stick them in a shoe box and tuck them away when you're done." BETH COONEY (STAMFORD ADVOCATE)

OUCHIE, SPORTS HURT!

Many more Americans than previously believed are injured each year in sports and recreational activities, says a new study by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

7 million people per year seek medical treatment related to physical activities

500 million dollars are spent annually in medical services to treat these injuries

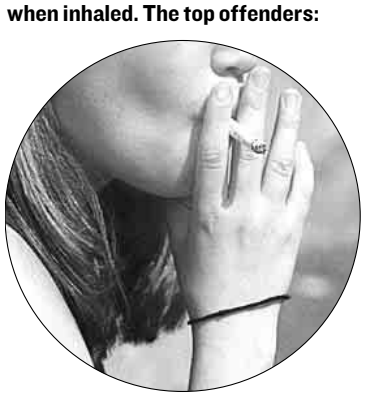
31 percent of sports injuries are muscle strains and sprains

#1 causes: basketball, bicycling

42 percent: the amount that earlier studies underestimated such injuries (L.A. TIMES)

SMOKING UP

Chemists analyzed smoke from 11 brands of cigarettes for a type of nicotine called "free base," which passes more quickly into the bloodstream when inhaled. The top offenders:



- American Spirit (delivered 25 to 35 percent more free-base nicotine than the lowest-level cigarettes).
- Gauloises Brunes
- Marlboro
- Virginia Slims
- Gauloises Blondes
- Camel Turkish Gold
- Winston
- Doral 100s
- Kamel Reds

Source: Chemical Research in Toxicology

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LOS ANGELES TIMES

Starch Strikes Back

Are pasta and pie possibilities for the carbohydrate-shy?

A wave of new supplements promises relief for low-carb dieters who long to reunite their meat and potatoes.

Dozens of so-called "starch neutralizers" and "starch blockers," with such appetizing names as Starch Buster, Carb Intercept and Carbo Grabbers, promise to ease the caloric burden of tasty, starchy foods.

The concept of a carbohydrate blocker has been around for decades. Most of the new products, however, use a refined, more potent extract of the white kidney bean. Small human studies have indicated that the extract can neutralize as much as 66 percent of the starch consumed in a meal. Consisting of a protein component, the extract binds to an enzyme called alpha amylase, preventing it from breaking down starch into sugar. As a result, most of the starch passes undigested through the intestines.

Says Dr. Jana Klauer, a research fellow at the New York Obesity Research Center at St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital Center: "This has glimmerings of great potential." JANE E. ALLEN (L.A. TIMES)

Online: Novelist Amy Tan's struggle with Lyme disease. Read all about it on washingtonpost.com/health, today.

What Not To Do

Forget sunscreen in the car.

TURN THE OTHER CHEEK. Dermatologists see more cases of actinic keratoses — precancerous skin lesions — on the left side of the face and forehead than on the right. Which also happens to be the side that's exposed to the sun when you're driving. UVA rays that cause photo-aging effects, including wrinkles, go right through the glass of your car window.

BUT 15 MINUTES EACH WAY? "Even if you have a short commute, that exposure has a cumulative effect that builds up over many years," says Dr. Scott Fosco, chair of the dermatology department at St. Louis University's School of Medicine.

BLOCK IT OUT. Most sunscreens will block UVB rays, which cause sunburns, not all will block UVA rays. Check the label. (KRT)

WHO KNEW? In an effort to curb rising childhood obesity, the American Academy of Pediatrics is now recommending that kids get yearly body-mass index measurements from their doctors.

Top of the Flops

'Gigli' was hard to pronounce, almost impossible to market

MOVIES | "Gigli" provides a textbook tale of how circumstances beyond a studio's and a filmmaker's control can undermine a movie. The film has single-handedly disproved the maxim that there's no such thing as bad publicity.

Neither a romantic comedy nor a standard drama, the $54-million film stars Ben Affleck as a Los Angeles thug named Larry Gigli, ordered by his gangster boss to kidnap the son of a federal prosecutor. Soon after Gigli abducts the young man, a second mobster named Ricki (Jennifer Lopez) arrives. Gigli falls for Ricki, who lets him know she's gay. But will they still fall in love?

The couple's real-life love affair presented several challenges — the biggest being that moviegoers may not want to spend $9 to watch a romance they can catch anytime on TV for free.

Sony Pictures tried a number of strategies to persuade people there was an actual movie. In an attempt to overcompensate for the tabloids, later ads focused more on the movie's plot and less on its stars. But those spots were eclipsed by more gossip about the couple — this time their impending marriage.

PHILLIP CARUSO/COLUMBIA PICTURES/AP

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The bad press spun out globally. Articles disparaging "Gigli" have been published everywhere from India's Hindustan Times to Scotland's Glasgow Evening Times. Many of these stories have included mentions from scabrous Internet reviews.

The romance generates other, more unexpected, issues. Affleck enjoys a following among independent film fans; his romance with Lopez, a pop-culture powerhouse with meager art-house appeal, hurts Affleck's draw. Meanwhile, Lopez's core audience of young girls will be excluded by the violent film's R rating.

Miramax even has postponed "Jersey Girl," another movie starring Affleck and Lopez from filmmaker Kevin Smith, in order to distance itself from "Gigli."

JOHN HORN (LOS ANGELES TIMES)

BOMB SQUAD
The biggest box-office losers, in millions lost

$81 Cutthroat Island
$48 The Adventures of Baron Munchausen
$47 Ishtar/Hudson Hawk
$44 Inchon
$38 The Cotton Club
$37 Santa Claus: The Movie

RENE MACURA/AP

Jennifer Lopez parades her prize: the world's first Stepford Boyfriend.

Chemistry Lesson

WASHINGTON, D.C. | In its weekend debut, the "Gigli" was scorched by critics nationwide. Local audience reactions were pretty evenly divided.

"There was really no plot. It just didn't make any sense to me," said Alfonso Armwood, 20, of New York, who was dragged to the theater by friends.

Patrons also talked about the on-screen chemistry between real-life lovers Jennifer Lopez and Ben Affleck. For some, it was a distraction.z

"You were so aware of their off-screen relationship, it totally ruined the film," Bill Morgan said. "I don't know why they thought it would work."

Some locals saved their criticism for the critics. "I think people shouldn't pay attention to reviewers and check their credentials and background to see how they got to be reviewers," James Weitzman said.

Judy Edmead offered an explanation for the bad reviews: "I think they're jealous of Jennifer Lopez. She has talent, she has money, she has everything." JULIE LEVENTHAL (AP)

BY THE NUMBERS: "Gigli" brought in a meager $3.8 million over its opening weekend. Some studio insiders have blamed the stars' bloated salaries (which are undisclosed) for the film's $54 million sales tag.

Top Stops

FOR COMPLE EVENT LISTINGS SEE WASHINGTONPOST.COM/ENTERTAINMENT

The Cottars: The Nicest Kids in Eire

1 Ciarán and Fiona MacGillivray, Jimmy and Roseanne MacKenzie — are only four teens, but they cover miles of musical ground. Each is a multi-instrumentalist, singer and stepdancer, the toast of Celtic music, and probably a very nice kid, despite being a bit of an overacheiver.

Millennium Stage, Kennedy Center; 2700 F St., NW; 6 p.m., free. 202-467-4600

Drag Bingo: Queer Eye for 34-I

2 Feather boa: check. Size 13EEE red pumps: check. Elbow-length gloves, pen and paper, water bottle filled with gin, check, check and check. Don't forget your competitive edge. All set for Drag Queen Bingo, then?

Chaos, 17th & Q Sts., 202-232-4141.

MARIO TAMA/GETTY IMAGES

Work it, girl — sashaying out in heels and gloves for bingo night, no doubt.

Tuesday Cruise: Up the Lazy River

3 Every day it's the same thing — a glorious hot morning turning to a sticky, thunderous, damp afternoon. Take advantage of the dry spots and get to know your local ecosystem by taking a free noontime pontoon boat tour of the Anacostia River.

Bladensburg Waterfront Park; 4601 Annapolis Road, Bladensburg.

Entertainment

Soapy Scum

'The OC': It's like plenty you've seen, if you've seen Fox

TELEVISION | Is there any hope for the primetime soap? We've seen "Titans" flame out and "Pasadena" disappear. Now Fox trots out "The OC" (9 p.m., Fox), a rich man-poor man saga set in the impossibly wealthy community of Newport Beach. That's in O-range C-ounty, California.

Peter Gallagher stars as soft-hearted public defender Sandy Cohen, who welcomes troubled teenager Ryan Atwood (Benjamin McKenzie) into his home after Ryan's family disintegrates. He hopes that exposure to the striving lad might shake son Seth (Adam Brody) out of his nerdy isolation.

Meanwhile, Ryan's arrival does not go unnoticed by Marissa Cooper (Mischa Barton), the gorgeous girl next door. When the Cohens are invited to the Cooper's annual fashion show, sparks fly between Ryan and Marissa's spoiled social circle — and provokes the rich bullies.

"The OC" suffers from all the cliches of the genre. The rich kids are ludicrously good-looking and predictably vile. But the pilot does contain enough wrinkles to keep you coming back — just what kind of trouble does Marissa's dad have with the SEC, and does he still hold a torch for the fetching Kirsten?

The best thing about "The OC" is Ryan's habit of saying little while the whole world babbles on about fancy cars and designer labels. If "The OC" survives, he might single-handedly revive the strong, silent type. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

PHOTO CREDIT

CALIFORNIA SCHEMING: The rich have heavy burdens; that's why they're so sulky. **More on "The OC":** Tom Shales disapproves, in The Washington Post | Style.

ROBERT SPENCER/AP

Just don't call her "Feminem" Sarai trades on her talents, not her image.

Young, Gifted, White

MUSIC | Sarai, the newest face on the rap scene, may have more working against her than most fledgling artists. Her problem? While the 20-year-old from Kingston, N.Y. is young and drop-dead gorgeous, she's also white.

Sarai's tunes, showcased on her debut album, "The Original," cut a wide swath across rap sub-genres, from "Ladies," an energetic ode to a body moving on the dance floor, to the lively "I Know," where Sarai introduces herself to the listener boldly. "I didn't know girls who look like that could flow?" she raps. "Damn, I got the world in a frenzy, Haters gone envy, that don't offend me."

There will be some fallout about the glam girl who raps about ghetto life, but if critics judge the 20-year-old upstart on her music and talent, Sarai wins. RON HARRIS (AP)

ON TV TONIGHT

REALITY BITES

LAST COMIC STANDING (8 p.m., NBC) The last comic bows on the two-hour finale.

GROUND FORCE AMERICA (9 p.m., BBC America) Britain's favorite garden makeover team renovates a space in Sarasota, Fla.

CUPID (9 p.m., CBS) Speed-dating

AMERICAN JUNIORS (8 p.m., Fox) Young-sters compete

LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE POI

AMERICAN ALOHA (10 p.m., PBS) "P.O.V." looks at the revival of traditional island culture among Hawaiians who have settled on the American mainland.

HEAVY LIES THE HEAD

KING ARTHUR (10 p.m., TLC) The late Richard Harris narrates a 2002 special examining popular misconceptions about the fabled king and his knights of the round table.

CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST

HOLIDAY INN (8 p.m., TCM) Der Bingle — that's Bing Crosby — warbles "White Christmas" in the 1942 musical, part of an all-night movie tribute to Fred Astaire.

PLUG-O-RAMA

LATE SHOW WITH DAVID LETTERMAN (11:35 p.m., CBS) Colin Farrell and Robert Randolph

THE TONIGHT SHOW (11:35 p.m., NBC) Jay Leno hosts Jamie Lee Curtis, Carl Reiner and Widespread Panic

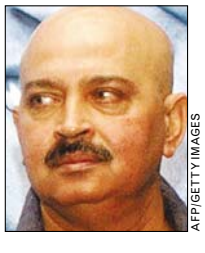
LATE NIGHT WITH CONAN O'BRIEN (12:35 a.m., NBC) Seann William Scott and The Jayhawks

THE LATE, LATE SHOW WITH CRAIG KILBORN (12:37 a.m., CBS) Eddie Kaye Thomas and Jack Johnson. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

HEARSAY | TECHNOLOGY

"The biggest challenge was to control the fully automated aliens. But we've even managed to get fine performances from them."

—DIRECTOR RAKESH ROSHAN ON FILMING BOLLYWOOD'S FIRST SCIENCE-FICTION MOVIE



AFP/GETTY IMAGES

TopStops

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Set 'Em Up, Rex: A Dog Walks Into a Bar

4 Yuppies have too much time on their hands. Which makes for hilarious indulgences like the Doggy Happy Hour. So grab your best friend or your best friend's best friend — hey, at least you're not asking to borrow his kid — and let Fido mingle with like-minded beasties. Um, no dogs in the bar actually.

Holiday Inn Select; 480 King St. Alexandria; 5 p.m., free.

AFP/GETTY IMAGES

"I'll have a double Tynant, no ice, and leave the bottle, my good man."

D.C. Plays: Global Concerns

5 Come out and support your local playwright. The Washington Theatre Festival comes to a close this evening with "Silent Heroes," focusing on six marine wives whose husbands have perished in a plane crash.

Source Theater; 1835 14th St., NW; 202-462-1073.

O, Canada: That Freaky, Morbid Land

6 Outside of a vicious nightmare or a particularly gorgeous dream, there's nothing quite like a Guy Maddin movie. See the enigmatic Canadian expressionist's latest modern neo-silent gem, "Dracula: Pages From a Virgin's Diary," a ravishing, ecstatic, nightmarish version of the classic monster's tale.

AFI Silver, 633 Colesville Rd., Silver Spring; 6:45 and 8:20 p.m., 301-495-6700.

HEADS UP: If you've never let a stranger make you cluck like a chicken — or even if you have — let hypnotist/comedian Flip Orley try. Improv, 1140 Connecticut Ave., NW; 202-296-7008.

Sports

In Brief

PRE-GAME SHOWS

Glanville Rejoining CBS

Jerry Glanville will rejoin CBS on a part-time basis and Beasley Reese will move from sideline reporter to game analyst on the network's telecasts of NFL games this season. Otherwise, the network's lineup is the same as last season, with Jim Nantz hosting the pregame show with Dan Marino, Deion Sanders and Boomer Esiason. Greg Gumbel and Phil Simms will resume their duties as the network's top play-by-play team. (AP)

BOXING

Lewis Says Rematch With Russian Won't Happen Soon

Champion Lennox Lewis told Vitali Klitschko's promoter Monday there won't be a rematch between the two heavyweights for the WBA title this year. There had been discussion about Lewis taking on the Ukrainian again on Dec. 6, possibly in Madison Square Garden, after his controversial win on June 21 in Los Angeles. Lewis retained his title in the sixth round when the referee stopped the fight because of several bad cuts around Klitschko's left eye. (AP)

TENNIS

Becker Will Own Story In New Autobiography

Three-time Wimbledon winner Boris Becker is following a trend among German celebrities and will publish his autobiography. The 352 page book will hit stores in early November, Bertelsmann publishers announced Monday, with a title to still be decided. The book, written with the help of "advisers," will be heavy on photos, but Becker wasn't saying if it would have the tell-all ,gossipy quality of other celebrity books. (AP)

PRO FOOTBALL

Mitchell's Comeback Try Cut Short by Jaguars

Johnnie Mitchell was released by the Jacksonville Jaguars on Monday, halting a comeback attempt by the tight end who hasn't played in a regular-season NFL game since 1996. Mitchell was a first-round draft pick of the New York Jets in 1992. He caught 158 passes for 2,086 yards and 16 TDs over four seasons. (AP)

Bryant Cut Off From Nutella Ads

Sexual assault charge could cost star millions

TRENTON, NEW JERSEY | The maker of a sandwich spread is phasing out endorsements from Kobe Bryant in part because of the sexual assault charge against the superstar.

Ferrero, producers of Nutella, said on Monday that its contract with the Los Angeles Lakers guard expires in January.

Bryant, 24, is charged with sexually assaulting a 19-year-old woman in Edwards, Col. Bryant has said the two had consensual sex. His initial court appearance is Wednesday.

Until this summer, Bryant was best known as one of the most marketable images in sports. He has a multimillion-dollar sneaker deal with Nike and contracts with Sprite, McDonald's and Spalding.

Even before he was charged, marketing experts said the case could cost him more than $100 million in potential earnings.

Nike has said its deal with Bryant remains in place.

A Coca-Cola Co. spokesman said Monday that Bryant remains under contract until 2005. DAVID PORTER (AP)

JOHN MCDONNELL/TWP

Ex-Florida Gator Danny Weurffel played in the Redskins' loss to the Dallas Cowboys on Thanksgiving Day last season.

Redskins Bring Back Weurffel

Spurrier says former Gator QB will tryout for back-up position

FOOTBALL | Mindful of his reputation, Steve Spurrier was quick to dash any notion that Danny Wuerffel's return is the first stop in yet another year of quarterback carousel.

"Patrick Ramsey is by far our best quarterback," the Washington Redskins coach said Monday. "Danny gives us some insurance."

After making five starting quarterback changes in his first NFL season a year ago, Spurrier is going with second-year player Patrick Ramsey through thick and thin, at least for now. The plan is for Wuerffel, who joined the team Monday morning at practice, to compete with struggling veteran Rob Johnson for the No. 2 spot.

Although he's started just 10 games in six NFL seasons, Wuerffel knows Spurrier's offense as well as anybody. That's been the problem so far for Johnson, who is essentially having to relearn the position. JOSEPH WHITE (AP)

SITTING DUCKS?
A breakdown of the struggles of Danny Weurffel and Rob Johnson in the NFL.

COMPLETION PERCENTAGE: 52.6 percent for Weurffel; Johnson is higher at 61.5 percent.

INTERCEPTIONS: 22 each, but Johnson has thrown 30 career touchdowns, while Weurffel has thrown 12 touchdowns.

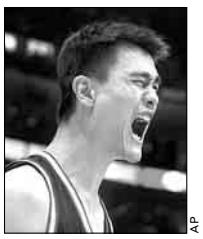
SACKS: Weurffel has been sacked 57 times. Johnson has been sacked 136 times.

HALL OF FAME GAME | AMEN

ERIC MILLER/AP

COMEBACK KID: Priest Holmes returned to action Monday night in the Hall of Fame game. Last year, an injury ended the runner's season early.

HEARSAY | GROWING PAINS



AP

"The first year was an adjustment ... the second year and years to come are the learning stage."

—HOUSTON ROCKETS CENTER YAO MING
DISCUSSING HIS FUTURE IN THE NBA AFTER ENJOYING A STELLAR ROOKIE SEASON, IN WHICH HE FINISHED SECOND IN THE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR VOTING

Today's TV Lineup

BOXING (8 p.m. on ESPN 2) Junior welterweights Hector Camacho Jr. and John Brown square off at the Lincoln Theater in Northwest Washington.

BASEBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) Pitcher Jason Johnson leads the Baltimore Orioles against the Minnesota Twins.

BASEBALL (8 p.m. on TBS) The Atlanta Braves' Javy Lopez is second in the National League with 30 home runs. He and the Braves travel to Milwaukee to face the Brewers.

BASEBALL (10 p.m. on WGN) Chicago Cubs' standout Mark Prior is scheduled to make his first start since July 11 against the San Diego Padres.

Sports

Freedom Secure Playoff Spot

WUSA | The Washington Freedom have clinched a playoff spot for the second straight year, this time thanks to Mia Hamm's first career hat trick Saturday against the San Jose CyberRays. The Freedom next play the Philadelphia Charge Wednesday.

Hamm is the WUSA's leading scorer with 11 goals and 11 assists this season. (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

Live Online: Join soccer star Miah Hamm today at 11:30a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline

HORSE RACING | MONDAY STROLL

ADAM COGLIANESE/AP

DOWN THE STRETCH: Stroll, ridden by Jerry D. Bailey, wins Monday's National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame stakes in New York.

Falcons Owner Denies Harassment Charges

FOOTBALL | Atlanta Falcons owner Arthur Blank says allegations of sexual harassment in a suit by the team's former vice president of human resources are totally unjustified.

Carol Faubert, 53, claims in the suit filed last week in federal court that she was fired in February for speaking out against the treatment of women in the organization.

The owner said Faubert would drop the suit if she were paid $5 million.

"My answer is that, as a matter of principle, I'm not going to do something like this," Blank said.

Taylor Jones, an attorney representing Faubert, responded that "every single thing we've listed will prove to be true." (AP)

McBrien Now Out of His Shell

Quarterback enters 2003 as Terps' leader

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | Maryland quarterback Scott McBrien entered fall practice last year engaged in a battle with Chris Kelley.

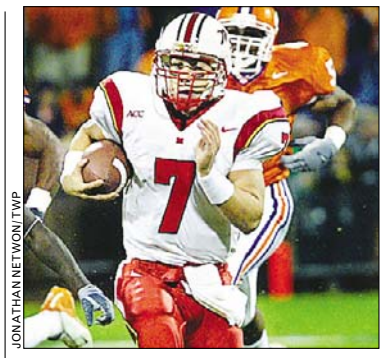
Things are now far different.

When fall practice opened Monday, Kelley was playing safety for the Terps and McBrien, with an 11-3 season and Peach Bowl victory under his belt, is Maryland's starting quarterback.

"It's a totally different feeling than last year," McBrien said.

McBrien is the first returning quarterback of the Ralph Friedgen era and he understands the importance of having the starting quarterback return for a second consecutive year.

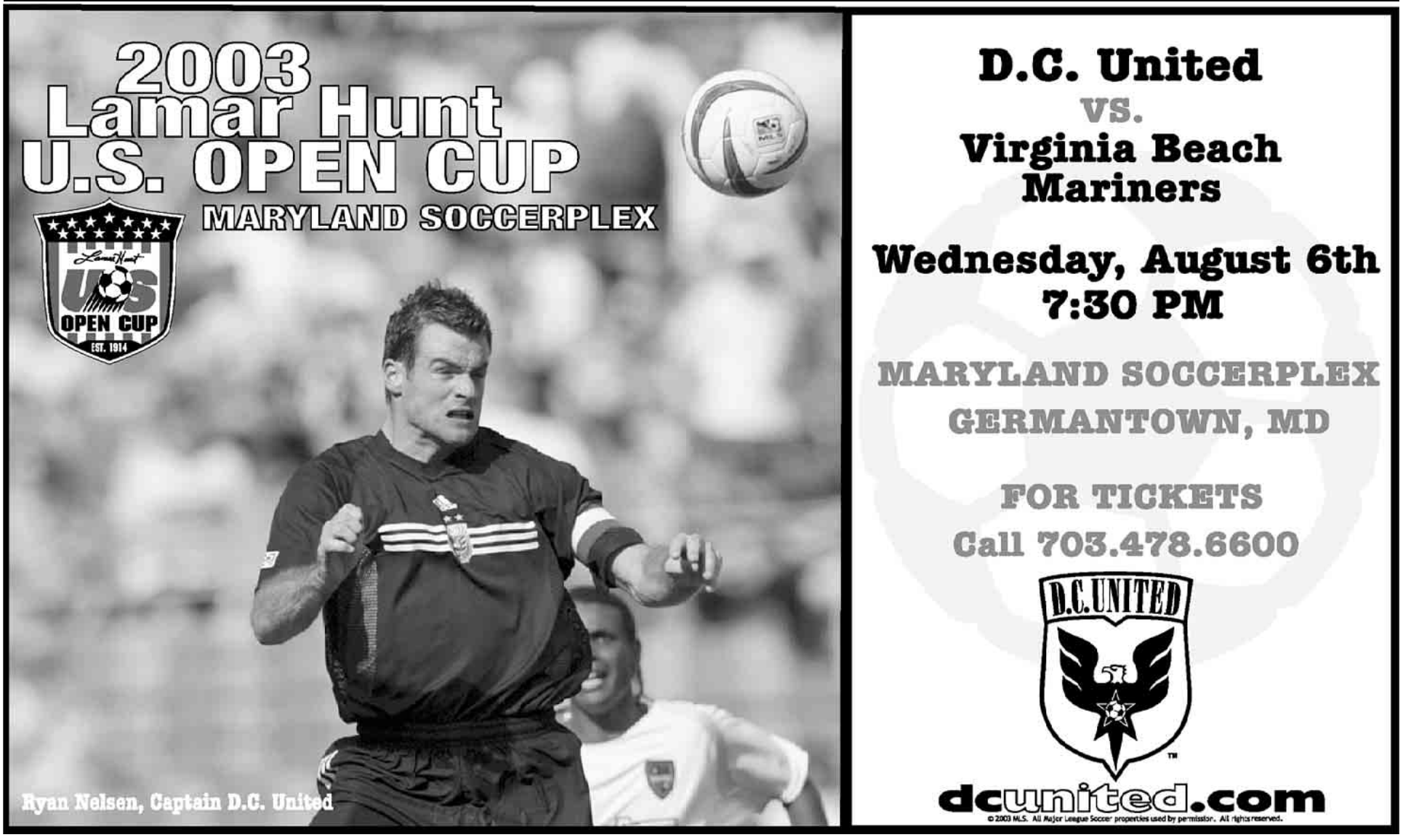
"It's good having a guy come in who knows the system," the quarterback said. (AP)



JONATHAN NEWTON/TWP

McBrien last year in a Maryland game.

Video Clip: Will Maryland continue its success under Ralph Friedgen? See footage from the team's first practice at washingtonpost.com/sports.



Playback

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

ON MY WALK to the Dupont Circle Metro station this morning, I received my first free issue of The Washington Post's Express.

The concept and content of the newspaper are ideal for a 20-something Metro commuter like me who wants to be informed of daily news by a notable source, has a limited budget and a 15 minute Metro ride to work every morning. I enjoyed the short, concise (colorful) articles that easily captivated my pre-coffee, early morning attention span.

I'll look forward to seeing the news agents and their copies of Express again tomorrow morning.

—KATE MCDEVITT
Bethesda, Md.

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL MY LIFE? Express is great. Usually if an article drains onto another page buried in the paper, I will never finish reading it. The short and to-the-point articles in Express are perfect for Metro-riding.

I also like the layout. I can't stand fumbling around with an oversized newspaper, but Express is like reading a magazine — much easier than a regular newspaper.

—VANESSA BILANCERI
Washington, D.C.

WITH EXPRESS, I think you have definitely met a need — a paper for those who want to read the Post and also make good use of their Metro ride (I don't remember reading any substantial Post article from beginning to end on the train). After reading my first Express, it's clear it's Post Lite, and I'll still buy the Post at the end of the day. But I think you have a winner here. You probably could charge a dime or so, and people would gladly pay.

—PATRIC MARTIN
Bethesda, Md.

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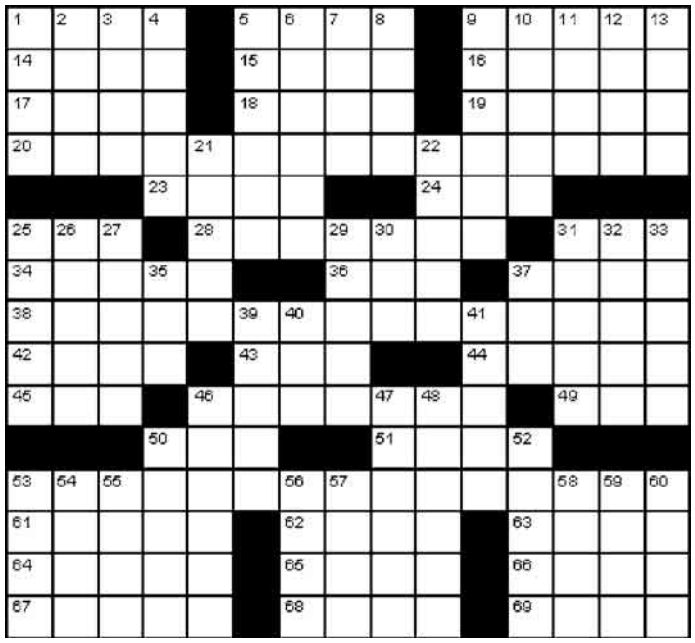


ACROSS
1 Bed board
5 Used the Jetway
9 Pest-removal word?
14 Whittle
15 Soft-shoe prop
16 Carpentry or plumbing, e.g.
17 "God ___ the details"
18 Magic bullet
19 Auspices
20 Gag for a dentist?
23 Thick skin
24 Wine listing
25 Venusians, e.g.
28 Slide used in lighting
31 Kernel's quarters
34 Something you and Columbo do
36 Chicago dinosaur
37 Deal with it
38 Gag for a florist?
42 Nimbus
43 Concorde treat
44 Unlikely to move
45 "Without a doubt!"
46 Pickup adjunct
49 "Go get 'em!"
50 Nancy in Nancy, e.g.
51 Unfetter
53 Gag for a typist
61 Creator of Jenny and Oliver
62 "Mama said there'd be days like this"
63 Put on a spare tire?
64 Word in a Hugo title
65 It may be pink
66 Emulate a wolf?
67 Curl the lip
68 Spruce
69 Plane part

DOWN
1 ___-and-span
2 Secure with a rope
3 Part of an oratorio
4 Last frame
5 Give consent
6 Boston Marathon prize
7 Crucifix inscription
8 Sophomoric one?
9 Island off the N.J. coast
10 Balboa opponent
11 Vent violently
12 Comstock entrance
13 Fishnet, e.g.
21 Princeton player
22 Joylessness
25 "A Modest Proposal" e.g.
26 Chef's wear
27 Impolite sound
29 WJM's Mr. Grant
30 You can do it to heartstrings
31 Quail
32 What the fat lady sings
33 Moorage
35 Through
37 Game that stings
39 Surpass
40 Electrolyte particle
41 Compare
46 Burrowing rodent
47 Chicken
48 Bacon request
50 Mollusk interior
52 Rabble-rouse
53 Iniquity locales
54 It can be cast
55 Camp closer?
56 Brooklyn Bridge river
57 "___ Want for Christmas"
58 Othello's persecutor
59 Zeroes
60 Strike zone border

The Duplex | *By Glenn McCoy*

Horoscope | *Stella Wilder*

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — It's likely you will pay for a past mistake before this day is out — but when all is said and done, you will have scored big gains.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Now is not the time to judge others, lest you be judged unfavorably yourself in the process. Be fair, honest and open.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You must be willing to let bygones be bygones — or someone close to you will remind you of your own offenses and shortcomings.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — A competition will evolve between yourself and one who is eager to take your place. Be on your guard at all times.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Though you may be behind schedule, there is enough time to finish the task at hand.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — A leave-taking of sorts may not be avoidable. It is important that you say what you have to say before it is too late. Face facts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — A balance in all things will serve you well as you negotiate a tricky personal path.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — You can win first the sympathy and then the support of someone who is in a position to give you the assistance you need.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Though the finished product may not be a masterpiece, you can still impress those in charge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — A chance encounter is sure to spark numerous memories — and they will inspire you to new heights in more ways than one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If the exterior seems in no way impressive, what lies within may surprise you. Take the time to discern the truth.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — A surprise is in store that will send you in an entirely new direction. A few major choices lie ahead of you now.

EXPRESS'S DEBUT

Live Online

From washingtonpost.com

From Mon., Aug. 4: **DAN CACCAVARO**, managing editor of Express, took questions about the new publication.

I love the Post for its great coverage, tight writing, insightful editorials and thoughtful features. Although I liked the format, ease and availability of Express, the AP fodder was more "Yahoo News" and less "Washington Post." Any chance you could run a portion of the real articles? — WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Post and Express serve very different purposes. Express is meant to offer a quick recap to get people up to speed in the morning and hopefully entertain them a bit. We're not trying to be an abbreviated version of the Post. In fact, trying to boil down the Post's investigative work, editorials and features would undercut what makes the Post so valuable.

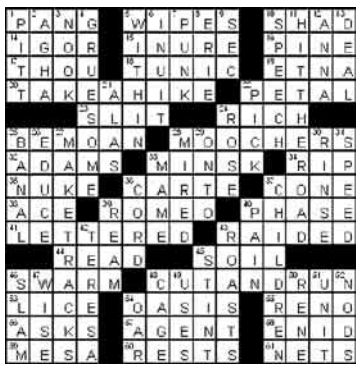
How bout having a section on things to do today and tomorrow and cool events around town? — WASHINGTON, DC

Our daily entertainment section includes a feature called Top Stops — a handful of events going on today and tonight that we think our readers will find interesting. On Thursdays we're going to do a fairly extensive local entertainment section — a combination of previews, interviews and tips on what to do over the weekend.

Today on Live Online:

NOON: From PBS's "History Detectives" come auctioneers Wes Cowan and Elyse Luray to discuss this week's episode about an early railroad station in Dallas, Mexican currency and pirate Jean Lafitte's spyglass.

Yesterday's Solutions



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People

FILM

High-Watt Career

NAOMI WATTS is making up for lost time — and on her terms. The 33-year-old Australian actress has made nine movies in the past two years and has four films in the can, including "21 Grams" opposite Sean Penn and Benicio Del Toro. She says the pace beats her barely-there early career, before her success with "Mulholland Drive" and last year's hit thriller "The Ring." She's currently in "Le Divorce." (AP)

AP

SPORTS

Virtual Success

JOHN MADDEN now has a 300-square-foot display all his own at the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio — not bad considering he has never been inducted. Madden isn't being recognized because he coached the Oakland Raiders to victory in Super Bowl XI. Or even because — with gigs at CBS, Fox and ABC — he has proven himself one of the NFL's most popular analysts. It's because his video game franchise, Madden NFL Football from Electronic Arts, has sold more than 30 million copies in 14 years. Naturally, the new Hall of Fame display lets visitors play the game against one another. It also features a large wall that graphically traces the history of the video game. And history repeated itself Saturday with the unveiling of the latest version, "Madden NFL 2004." (THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER)

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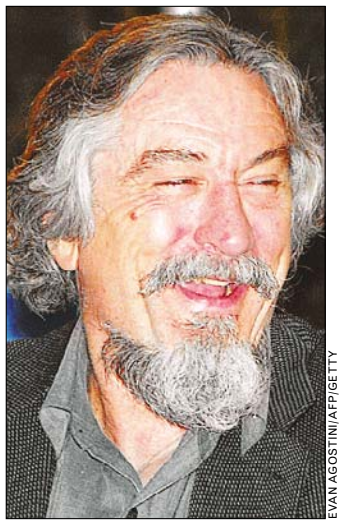
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CELEBRITY

Bobby's Got a Gun

Actors **ROBERT DE NIRO** and Harvey Keitel, radio host Howard Stern and developer Donald Trump are among the New Yorkers licensed to carry a loaded gun, according to police records. But some stars — including Joan Rivers and action-movie star Steven Seagal — were rejected when they applied to have their gun licenses renewed by New York City police this year, the New York Post reported Sunday. (AP)

MUSIC

Q-Tip: Tribe Will Reunite

Q-TIP has confirmed that A Tribe Called Quest will reunite for a new album. However, issues remain between the pioneering hip-hop trio and its label, Jive, which will release the set. It will be Tribe's first album since 1998's "The Love Movement." In the meantime, Q-Tip has plenty on his plate, with a DreamWorks deal to produce new artists and put out his own solo album, "Open," in February. (BILLBOARD.COM)

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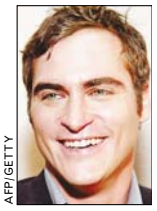
FILM

Cynical? Yes: Critical? No

JOAQUIN PHOENIX says his latest movie, "Buffalo Soldiers," has nothing to do with the conflict in Iraq — even if the timing seems to suggest otherwise. "When I first read this script, I wasn't thinking this is a critique of the U.S. military. I don't really think the movie is critical of anything," Phoenix told the Boston Globe newspaper on Sunday. "Buffalo Soldiers" stars Phoenix as a supply clerk stationed in Germany at the close of the Cold War. "It's more of a statement film and kind of a cynical statement at that. It explores the idea that war is inherent in man, and there's a seeming desire for conflict." (AP)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HEARSAY | REALITY?

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—ROCCO DISPIRITO
TV CHEF, ON ITALIAN-AMERICAN STEREOTYPES

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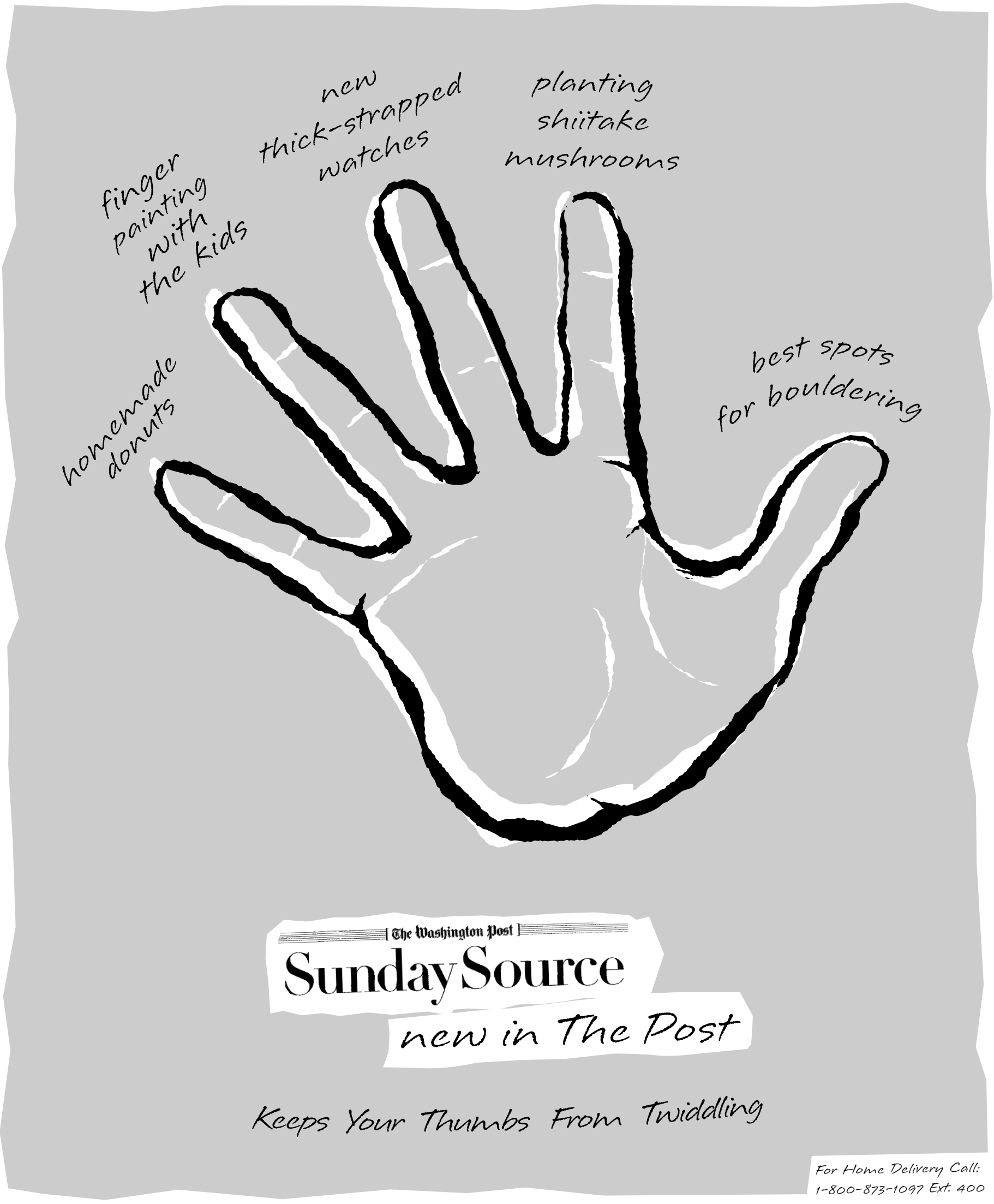
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